



Lowell City Council Zoning SC Meeting Minutes

Michael Q. Geary City Clerk

Date: January 15, 2019

Time: 5:00 PM

Location: City Council Chamber

375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA

PRESENT:

Present on Roll Call were Chairman Milinazzo, C. Nuon and C. Kennedy. Also present were Eric Slagle (Inspectional Services), Gary Gordon (Asst. City Solicitor), C. Elliott, C. Conway, C. Mercier, C. Cirillo and C. Leahy.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Chairman Milinazzo called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM in the Council Chamber noting attendance of various groups as well as prior meetings. C. Milinazzo noted that during the public discussion he would alternate speakers to allow each side equal time.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Mr. Slagle reviewed proposed ordinance and noted the history of developing the ordinance which included input from various neighborhood groups and owners. Mr. Slagle noted that the current zoning requirements have not changed in decades but the proposed ordinance will assist with enforcement of those ordinances as well as allowing a growth in density. C. Milinazzo commented on density aspect of the ordinance allowing going beyond three unrelated individuals in a dwelling.

C. Milinazzo opened meeting for public discussion and the following addressed the body: George Christman; Kathleen Nutter; Charles Kafasis; Rose Ane Qiu; Richard Macdonald; Judith Davidson; Dillon Archambeault; Deb Forgione; Robert Carpedo; Deang Sophing; Paul Belley; Poey Durg; Curtis LeMay; Dave Ouellette; Mark Gizzi (provided packet to body); and John Huizhoung Zhaing.

C. Milinazzo noted that there would be a future joint Neighborhoods SC with Zoning SC to develop ordinance. C. Kennedy noted that zoning requirements are not changing just adding element of enforcement. C. Milinazzo noted the enforcement issues. C. Cirillo commented on

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language in the ordinance and the enforcement issues. C. Elliott commented on the effort and time involved and stated matter should be decided as the community is beginning to splinter on the issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by C. Kennedy, seconded by C. Nuon. So Voted.

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 PM

Michael Geary, City Clerk